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PETITION FOR THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME TO SUBMIT FIRST AMENDMENT

The Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

The Applicants submit this Petition to enable their submission of a First Amendment in response to the First Office Action dated 2 October 2003. The First Office Action provided a shortened statutory period for response, which expired on 2 January 2004. This Petition for a Three Month Extension of Time which will extend the period for response until 2 April 2004.

The Applicants have submitted an Authorization to Charge the Attorney of Record's Credit Card for the Petition Fee, which is \$475.

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